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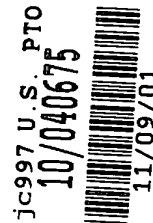
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1)

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97-1.98, the references listed and identified on the attached Form PTO/SB08A are being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. This Statement is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1).

While this Statement is being filed in compliance with the duty of disclosure, citation of the attached references is not to be construed as an admission that any of the references are "material" as defined under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

A copy of each reference listed on the attached Form PTO/SB08A is included herewith. Consideration and entry into the record of these references is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir or Madam:

I, Michael Schuderer, associated with the preparation and prosecution of the above-identified application, residing at Thurneysenstraße 22, 80687 München, Germany, wish to call the attention of the Patent Examiner to the references enumerated on the enclosed PTO Form-1449.

I believe the documents enumerated on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and attached thereto, are cited in the enclosed application and the corresponding German Examination Report and may be material to the examination of the application.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the foregoing Information Disclosure Statement be considered by the Examiner and incorporated into the file of this application.

I wish to comment as follows concerning the prior art references enumerated on PTO Form-1449:

For EP-A 149098 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For EP-A 477900 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For WO-A 99/16794 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For DE-A 3316948 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For EP-A 655464 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For EP-A 1020493 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For DE-B 1202982 an English Caplus Abstract is enclosed.

For DD-A 222880 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For DE-A 19928933 an English Derwent Abstract is enclosed.

For DE-A 936063 an English Caplus Abstract is enclosed.

US-A 4350788 is already in English language.

Fox T.G., Bull. Am. Physics Soc. 1, 3, page 123 (1956) is already in English language.

The Polymer Handbook, 2nd Edition, J. Wiley & Sons, New York (1975) is already in English language.

Signed this 30th day of October, 2001 .

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Schuderer', written over a dotted line.

Dr. Michael Schuderer